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Bio-metric Identity Card
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government issues Bio-metric identity cards for the industrial workers through Employees State Insurance Corporation;
(b)if so, the details thereof;
(c)whether central database of biometric cards is helpful in maintaining the medical history of the employees; and
(d)if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)
(a) to (d): The capturing of Biometrics of Insured Person and their family members for issuing 'Pehchan cards' was done upto 31.05.2016. However, the same has been stopped and decided to collect Aadhar number to verify the identity of the applicants/beneficiaries. ESIC issued set of two Pehchan cards, one for the use of Insured Person and another for the use of family member, to 1.92 Crores Insured Persons. Thereafter, Aadhar linked e-Pehchan Cards are being used as permanent Identity Card for availing services under the Scheme. As on 23.07.2017, 1.02 Crores Aadhar numbers have been linked to the records of the Insured Persons in the database. The Central database is helpful in maintaining the medical history of employees and their family members.
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